

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-7, 10-15, and 18-21 are now pending herein with Claims 1 and 11 being independent claims. Claims 1, 4-6, 10, 15-17, and 21-23 were rejected and the remaining claims were objected to. (The Applicant notes that independent Claim 11 was indicated as being objected to instead of allowed.) Claims 2, 16, 17, 22, and 23 are cancelled herein.

**35 U.S.C. §102:**

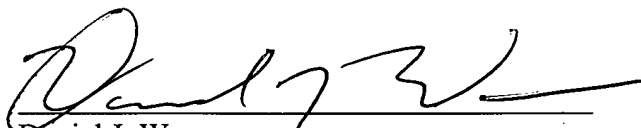
Claims 1, 4-6, 10, 15-17, and 21-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,745,058 to Tomio. Tomio was described as showing a display controller and a method of controlling an electroluminescent display where the brightness of the segments can be varied.

Claim 1 has been amended with the limitations of Claim 2. Claim 2 was indicated as being allowable. The Applicant thus asserts that Claim 1 as amended, and the dependent claims thereon, are allowable over the cited reference.

**CONCLUSION**

The Applicant believes that it has responded to each matter raised in the Office Action. Allowance of all claims is respectfully solicited. Any questions may be direct to the undersigned at 404.853.8028.

Respectfully submitted,

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